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POLITICS IN THE PULPIT

There are some people who we believe are honestly not very clear as to the propriety of a clergyman discussing a question in the pulpit. that has become an issue between two political parties and about which there are some differences of opinion in every congregation. To those people we would address a few words.

No one seriously questions the right of a minister to discuss the subject of temperance in the abstract in the pulpit or anywhere else. All are agreed upon this.

All the churches have clearly seen that preaching temperance in the abstract on Sunday with concrete bars undoing their work the other six days of the week was about as foolish and ineffectual asstexts of scripture addressed to a wolf intent upon the capture of a amb.

The clergy of all denominations have discovered that the greatest enemy of their work. as of society in general, was the organised and licensed liquor traffic. Moral suasion and the educational method have been tried from the time of Solomon down, but the same tale of ruin and desolation is repeated today as was the case when the great Hebrew seer uttered his solemn warning about the wine and the adder's sting. The modern situation is vastly worse because the powerful distilled liquors are a comparatively recent discovery.

Moral suasion grievously failed, and the churches as the result of centuries of chastened experience have now pretty unanimously. reached the conclusion that the only way to arrest the spread of the evil is total prohibition.

Years ago pressure was applied to the then Liberal government of Ontario, and the Local Option law was passed. This partial measure of prohibition was not accepted by the churches as a finality but as the best thing obtainable at the time. It marked progress.

Then in 1902 a union convention of the churches asked for the abolition of the bar and drinking in clubs. No party was willing to assume the responsibility for such a revolutionary measure until Mr. Rowell became the leader of the Liberal party in Ontario. He took the

their full duty and stand the test, but they can reflect upon these words,-"The great and good

Of every age and clime, Too often mocked, misunderstood, And murdered in their time; And spite, of ignorance and hate, Known and exalted, soon or late."

MUCHUMPS

A "Mugwump" was originally a high chief among the Algonquin Indians. It was first applied to in a political way in the United States when in 1884 a large number of republicans left there party, declared their independence, and were christened "mugwumps." Hence it comes to mean an independent in politics, and is generally used as a term of reproach.

The name has now been applied to Mr. R. J. Graham, a leading conservative of this city, a gentlemen of pronounced opinions on the temperance question, who was too firm an adherent to his life-long principles to follow the lead of his party in a defence of the Open Bar. In his address at the city hall last night he

plainty demonstrated that there were others who had been in the camp of the "mugwumps" from time to time. When he had been a temperance cand date

in West Hastings some years ago, the very journal that now called him a "mugwump" had supported W. H. Biggar, the Grit candidate in opposition.

There were two illustrious senators from West Hastings, men with a long and almost unbroken conservative record behind them, men to whom anything savoring of independence was traitorous, treasonable, and altogether wicked. These two eminent men he found less than two weeks ago voting against an exceed ingly important government measure to recoup depositors in Parmer's hank. Incidentally they did their best to prevent a large number of their old supporters and friends in West Hastings and North Hastings who had been depositors in the Belleville branch, from reaping the benefit of the beneficient government measure. But tor reasons, undefined, and unfathomable, as well as undefended, they broke from their party, they betrayed their chivalrous and high-minded leader in the hour of need, and went over with the noble thirteen conservative senators to the camp of the mugwumps.

Mr. Graham might have added another name to his list-that of Mr. J W. Johnson. The writer recalls that when a stbdent at Stirling high school in 1890 he listened to two remarkable addresses upon the subject of Unre stricted Reciprocity and the speakers were Mr. Roger C. Clute and Mr. J. W. Johnson. Electors who recall the imemorable campaign of 1981 know where Mr. Johnson stood at that time, how he broke r. ith his old leader and did his best to promote Hon. Wilfrid Laurier to the premiership.

work on the Citizens' committee that was formed here three years ago to ascertain the sentiment of the city about the submission of a local option bylaw?

Local option has unquestionably rendered excellent service in its way in putting the bar out of business. But local option has pretty well reached the limit of its achievement, unless the three tifths' barrier is removed. If that were done there would be another advance, but an impassable wall would again be reached in a few years' time. There are some communities so wedded to their idols that they would never pass local option, in a hundred years, even by a straight majority.

Every resident of local option districts knows the difficulties that arise in the "dry" areas, because some town or village in the center of the district stubbornly continues to remain "wet" "Abolish the bar" would clean up all these

boozarums at once. Thirteen hundred licenses would be swept out of existence in one day. Nine-tenths of the province would pass under prohibition as far as it was in the power of the province to grant it. The remaining part could be made dry by local option applied to the shop licenses with straight majority.

Temperance men, do you want these booze centers to remain, making local option ineffective or will you wipe the slate at once ?

Bang the booze by banishing the bar.

What has the Bar Room done to help YOU?

Mark your ballots Sinclair, Holgate, and Parliament.

Don't vote for a party that is ashamed of its own platform.

Has the booze business made YOU or any of YOUR friends rich ?

It's something new for Mr. Johnson to be afraid to express his sentiments. ++++

Whitney's method of bar abolition will require fifty years and then some to work out. Rowell's method will do it in a day. Take your choice.

The three-fifths clause keeps open the Brantford and Peterborough bars. Whitney is responsible for their being open today.

Finding that they are being beaten in the Province in the bar business, the Whitneyites are now swinging round to the bilingual school question, declaring that Rowell is in league with the Catholics. What next ?.

*** People who may imagine that Whitney has given us the best temperance government the Province ever had should enquire why all the iquor men are voting for him.

poll by a good majority. The Licensed Bar party has been foolish enough to trade horses while crossing a stream. R bert Norman, the old representative, is naturally very sore, and

is working against Dempsey in Picton. The Lesson XIII .- Second Quarter. Whitneyites need all their time even where they are united.

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On Monday last the Canadian Pacific Railway Company paid in wages over the whole system \$6,000,000. - This is the monthly [Text of the Lesson, Heb. iv, 14 to v, 10. record in round numbers, 120,000 cheques being drawn every month? It seems only the day before yesterday when 50,000 cheques were deemed to represent a tremendous monthly wage list. The number of employees grows all, the time, in spite of careful appointment and; be humbled, and he that humbletb economic working. These cheques go all over himself shall be exalted"-a threefold the Dominion. +++

The Baptist Canadian said editorially last message on humility for the guests, on week:

"We are free to confess that we like the policy, not merely because it is the product of Mr. Rowell and his followers, but because we believe it to be what is sorely needed in our province, and because we have the convi tion. that it is practicable. With such a policy be- dead." Here we see the reality of fore them the electors of this province surely Christ's resurrection body having the cannot but go to the polls on June 29 in a serious frame of mind, without political bias could be handled, that could walk and ruling them, and with the determination to eat and also pass through unopened cast their votes in favor of a policy that is aimed at the obliteration of the retail sale of liquor."

+++ The Christian Science Monitor, of Boston, and it." The difference between being states that at the annual business meeting of a Christian and a disciple is very markthe First Church of Christ, Scientist, reports of ed, the cost of our salvation falling the growth of Christian Science throughout the world and the report of the clerk as to the in- ing a gift, but reward in proportion to crease in church membership showed that during the past year Christian Science has had the greatest growth in its history. Many new Luke xv, 10, "There is joy in the presorganizations have been formed during the year in the United States, in Alaska and in foreign countries, including England, Scotland, Switzerland, Australia, New Zealand, China and South Africa. In Ottawa, Ont., a handsome new church building has been erected by the Christian Science people.

Rev. T. Albert Moore said in public meeting in Montreal the other day :

I say to you what I shall do on June 29th, although I have cast my vote for the other side in elections past. There is only one way to act to-day, and I shall cast my vote for that bie teaches us what God thinks of lost party which will banish the liquor business from ones and how unwilling He is that any the Province of Ontario. That is what I am going to do. And when I asked those fifty men Luke xvi, 1-13. Golden Text, Luke xvi, what they were going to do, I was surprised to 10, "He that is faithful in a very little find that all but one of them intended to vote is faithful also in much, and he that for temperance. More than four-fifths of them righteous also in much." We are had changed their vote in order to banish the stewards of all that with which the bar. It is not a question of party. It is a Lord has intrusted us, whether it be question of principle. It is not a question of standing by the old machine. It is a question of money, and we are using it either for

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THE INTERNATIONAL SERIES.

Quarterly Review-Golden Text, Luke xix, 10-Commentary Prepared by Rev. D. M. Stearns.

LESSON 1 .- Christ's Table Talk, Luke xiv. 7-24. Golden Text. Luke xiv. 11. "Every one that exalteth himself shall message in the house ot one of the chief Pharisees who had invited Him to eat bread on the Sabbath day: a recompense at the resurrection for the host and man's indifference to God's provision and invitation for one of the guests who spoke of the kingdom. LESSON IL.-The Journey to Emmaus. Luke xxiv, 13-35. Golden Text, Rom. viii, 34, "It is Christ Jesus that diedyea, rather, that was raised from the nail wounds in hands and feet, a tangible body of flesh and bones, that doors and vanish at pleasure.

LESSON III.-The Cost of Discipleship. Luke xiv, 25-35. Golden Text. Matt. xvi. 25, "Whosoever would save his life shall lose it, and whosoever shall lose his life for my sake shall wholly on Christ, but the cost of dis-

cipleship on the believer, salvation beservice. LESSON IV-The Lost Sheep and the Lost Coin, Luke xv, 1-10. Gelden Text. ence of the angels of God over one sinner that repenteth"-a threefold parable concerning the love of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. This lesson concerns the Son and the Spirit. The sinner's helplessness and prone-

ness to stray is seen in the sheep, and his deadness in the piece of money. LESSON V .- The Lost Son, Luke XV. 11-24. Golden Text, Luke xv, 18, "F will arise and go to my father and

will say unto him, Father, I have sinned against heaven and in thy sight." That was not all he intended to say (verses 18, 19), but it was nearly alb that he did say (verse 21). The father's welcome cut it short. The whole para-

should perish. LESSON VI. - The Unjust Steward, is unrighteous in a very little is un-

churches at their word, and "Abolish the Bar" became one of the planks of the Liberal platform.

Now the question arises, are the ministers and laymen who urged upon Mr. Rowell and his pre lecessors the adoption of his course, to sit back and do nothing? Are they to leave Rowell to fight alone the battle of the churches, and are they to forsake him in the midst of the contest that they have been instrumental in thrusting upon him ?

"Abolish the Bar" is not a political but a moral issue. Or, rather, it is political only that it must be in politics sufficiently to pass the legislature.

It is "in politics" only because Sir James Whitney has three times refused to take it out of politics by passing a measure in agreement with the liberal leader giving the temperance people what they desired.

It therefore again comes back to the question of whether the churches, shall strive with all their power to secure what they have unitedty been demanding for more than a decade, We do not honestly see how they can refuse without proclaiming themselves sanctified shams, animated neither by sincerity nor consistency.

If a clergyman were to advocate the election of Rowell because of his attitude toward Tax Reform it would be a different matter, for Tax Reform, however important generally speaking, is no especial concern of the churches

"But "Abolish the Bar" is the business of. every church and minister who supported such a movement.

We hold it is not only proper but their express duty to advocate this cause both in the pulpit and outside. This course means sincerity and consistency. This is not politics but good

We hear that the church is becoming "priest-ridden." This is not the case. There are no threats of eternal torment. There are merely appeals to the reason and to reasonable. men to be fair, to be honest with themselves, and faithful to the cause they have espoused.

In adopting this course, as many have already done, they will unloose the flood gates of vituperation and abuse. It will require men of courage and faith and strong moral fibre to do

The Ontario has no fault to find with Mr. Johnson because he has at times been true to his own convictions, regardless of his party a liances. In fact this sturdy independence of mind that Mr. Johnson has at times shown has been to one of his qualities that we have mis: admired.

Independence, or mug wumpism, or whatever we like to call if, as long as motives are worthy, is not always and altogether a discreditable thing. It is less so, we should say, than the lamb-like stupidity of men who whoop for their party at all times and upon all occasions. Calling R. J. Graham names does not alter

the fact that through a long public and business career he has remained true to the temperance principles that he espoused as a young man. No one can truthfully say that upon the present occasion his attitude is not consistent or his motives unworthy. Upon the temperance question Robert J. Graham is no mugwump.

LOCAL OPTION

There are many opponents of the R 1's policy who profess to believe that Ontario 's making fine progress to wards total prohibition by the present means, that is to say by local option and the Canada Temperance act.

Rev. W. G. Clarke in his convincing address at the city hall on Thrusday night, clearly demonstrated that further progress by means of local option was practically barred. It was almost hopeless in the remaining municipalities of the province, about three hundred in number, to secure the passage of local option, because the liquor business was so strongly entrenched.

Last January the temperance people tried to abolish 131 bars. They suceeded in only 36 cases. There are still 1,300 bars remaining in the province. Therefore, as Mr. Clarke calculated, it would take just fifty years at that rate of progress to make the map of Ontario all white by the local option method of bleaching.

This love for local option is an entirely new thing with many of its present admirers. What steps have any of the advocates of local option, who are just now making themselves heard, ever taken to bring about a local option contest 11 Belleville ? How many of them did any indicate that Nelson Parliament will head th

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President Hawkins wanted no temperance sentiment 'expressed at the North Hastings Open Bar convention held at Marmora last Thursday Glad that one Whitneyite is honest enough to make no pretence about it.

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The conservative convention at London that nominated Hon. Adam Beck was held in the Y. M. C. A. building. Wonder if the liberals of London are raving about the desecration of a sacred edifice and threatening to cancel subscriptions. +++

Under Mr. Rowell there will be no increase of shop licenses. In nine-tenths of Ontario today there is not a single shop license. Where there are any they can be wiped out by local op ion with a straight majority and no threefifths handicap.

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A commercial traveller was yesterday offering to take bets on even money in a public place in this city that Rowell would have a majority and there were no takers. Another traveller told Candidate Sinclair that the Abolish the Bar movement was "on rollers." Travellers know more of the trend of public sentiment than any other class. Every day certainly makes it look more like Rowell.

Monday is nomination day. In 1911 there were twenty-two supporters of Sir James Whitney elected by acclamation. Rowell was defeated before he entered the fight. In 1914 you will be able to count all the conservatives who will be elected by acclamation on the fingers of your one hand, and perhaps have two or three fingers to spare.

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Rowell held eighteen seats in the legislature just dissolved. The new house after redistribution will consist of one hundred and eleven seats. In a number of Mr. Rowell's late constituencies the government has made many shifts in an endeavor to make it more difficult for Mr. Rowell to hold his following. It would need a great many more shifts to hold back this abolish-the-bar movement.

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standing by the old machine. It is a question ourselves or for Him, for of standing by the manhood and womanhood eternity. of the Province, and caring for the boys and arus, Luke xvi, 19-31. Golden Text, and girls of making a cleaner province for the Prov. xxi, 13. "Whose stoppeth his citizens of the next generation to grow up in." ears at the cry of the poor, he shall +++

of this campaign than the fate of the bar-room. himself and had no use for God or The vote on June twenty-ninth will not only His word and no belief in a future determine whether the bars are to go or to stay; it will afford a basis of judgement for the gen- Luke xvii, 1-10. Golden Text, I Cor. eral public of how much weight is to be at- 1, 81, "He that glorieth, let him glory tached to the professions and declarations of Christian men and women who have taken ad-we ought to do, we are upprofitable. vanced ground on the temperance question. but when the love of Christ constrain-For the man or woman who is satisfied with eth us and we are so occupied with Him and His kingdom and glory as to something short of the policy agreed upon by be above being offended with people the church bodies and the organized temper- or even with Himself, whatever He ance forces there is still freedom of choice be-tween the temperance policies of the two polit-ical parties : but for these who have the two polit-ical parties : but for these who have the two political parties; but for those who have b en de- 18, "Were there none found that remanding the abolition of the bar as the least of the requirements of a temperance policy it seems to be an issue of personal cool forther that the Holy Spirit lesson in I Cor. II, as well as on seems to be an issue of personal good faith from the leper lesson, and saw that all unbewhich there is no possibility of honorable es- lievers as well as Israel are spiritually cape-Woodstock Sentinel Review.

LESSON VII .- The Rich Man and Lazalso cry, but shall not be heard." This is a story of the rich poor and the poor

A good deal more depends on the outcome rich. The rich man lived only for till he found himself in tormest.

LESSON VIII .- Unprofitable Servants, lepers and unclean, but when the Holy Spirit, who alone can convince of sin, shines in us by His word, then come

The cartoon in colors, "Is that you, cleansing and real gratitude. LESSON X .- The Coming of the King-Daddy?' showing a little chap encountering dom, Luke zvii, 20-37. Golden Text, his father, drunk, at the door of the bar-room, Luke xvii, 21, "Lo, the kingdom of God is within you"-more correctly, which will be displayed in poster form all over as in the margin, "among you." The the Province next week, is from the pencil of kingdom which was at hand did not Arthur Henning, the well-known artist, and come as He said in Luke xix, 11, 12. comes to the cause of temperance reform as The kingdom is postponed and will "an unsolicited cartoon conceived and exe not come till He shall return in glory with His church, now being gathered. cuted by a lifelong Conservative."-Globe. LESSON XI .- The Friend of Sinners. *** Luke xvili, 9-14; xix, 1-10. Golden

It's always handy to have a variety of ar- Text. Mark ii, 17, "I came not to call guments for use in the personal canvass. For the righteous, but sinners," There is instance, if you are talking to a man who is op-no Saviour nor salvation for such as think that they are good enough; but posed to the abolition of the bar you can say : for such as the publican in the temple "That man Rowell is terribly in earnest and if he or Zaccheus, for poor or rich, there is is returned to power he will close every bar in the Province." But if you are talking to bar in Him who came to seek and to save the Province." But if you are talking to a man the lost. who is in favor of abolishing the bar you can LESSON XII. - The Great Refusal. put it this way : "That man Rowell is not in Mark x, 17-31. Golden Text, Luke xvi. earnest ; he is simply trying to make political capital. He has no intention of closing the the empty helpless little children who bars." There is likely to be trouble, of course, came to His arms and were blessed and the rich young ruler, full of his when these arguments are made to confront and the rich young righteousness, who each other : but you can be some place else by went away empty because he was not that time.

13, "Ye cannot serve God and mammon." The great contrast is between

willing to be emptied.